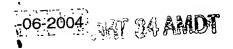
CLAIMS: -

- 1. Paper (10) having first and second opposing surfaces, and an elongate element (11) such that when a tearing force is applied to the elongate element (11), a removable portion (12) is separated from the rest of the paper (10) characterized in that the element (11) is a security element (11) having at least one verifiable authenticating feature, and the security element (11) is at least partially embedded with in the paper (10).
 - 2. Paper (10) as claimed in claim 1 in which the removable portion (12) is the elongate element (11).
- 3. Paper (10) as claimed in claim 1 in which the removable portion (12) comprises a section of the paper (10) and the elongate element (11).
- 20 4. Paper (10) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims in which the elongate element (11) is wholly embedded in the paper (10).
- 5. Paper (10) as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 3 in which the elongate element (11) is exposed at windows in the first surface of the paper (10).
- 6. Paper (10) as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 3 or 5 in which one side of the elongate element (11) is wholly exposed across the full width of the paper (10).
- 7. Paper (10) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims further comprising at least one line of perforations (13) separating the removable portion (12) from the rest of the paper (10).



- 8. Paper (10) as claimed in any one of claims 3 to 7 in which the removable portion (12) is an edge portion of the paper (10).
- 9. Paper (10) as claimed in any one of claims 3 to 7 in which the removable portion (12) comprises a middle section of the paper (10).
- 10. Paper (10) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims in which the removable portion (12) comprises legible indicia.
 - 11. Paper (10) as claimed in claim 10 in which the legible indicia comprises printed information.
- 12. Paper (10) as claimed in claim 10 in which the legible indicia is formed from demetallised or metallised alphanumeric characters on the elongate element (11).
- 13. Paper (10) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims in which the elongate element (11) is machine readable.
- 25 14. Paper (10) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims in which the elongate element (11) incorporates an activatable security feature.
- 15. Paper (10) as claimed in any one of the preceding in which the elongate security element (11) comprises one or more of the same or different security features.
- 16. Paper (10) as claimed in any one of the preceding claims in which an end of the elongate element (10) is enclosed in a tab (14) projecting from an edge of the

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paper.

- 17. Paper (10) as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 15 in which an end of the elongate element (11) is exposed in a cut out portion at an edge of the paper (10).
- 18. A label (10) made from paper according to any one of the preceding claims.
- 19. A label (10) as claimed in claim 18 further comprising an adhesive applied to at least a portion of the second surface of the paper (10), such that when the label (10) is adhered to the surface and a tearing force is applied to the elongate element (10), a removable portion (12) is separated from the rest of the label (10).
- 20 20. A label (10) as claimed in claim 19 in which no adhesive is applied to the second surface in the region of the removable portion of the label (10).
- 21. A label (10) as claimed in claim 19 in which a low tack adhesive is applied to the second surface of the removable portion of the label, said adhesive being of a lower tack than the adhesive applied to other parts of the second surface of the paper (10).
- 30 22. Packaging made from paper (10) as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 17.